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## **AMENDMENTS**

## In the Claims

Please cancel claims 2, 3 and 5 and amend the remaining claims as follows:

- 4. (Amended) The peptide of claim 1, wherein the peptide comprises the amino acid sequence Thr-Asp-Val-Ile-Leu-Met-Cys-Phe-Ser-Ile-Asp-Ser-Pro-Asp-Ser-Leu-Glu-Asn-Ile (SEQ. I.D. NO. 1).
- 6. (Amended) The peptide of claim 1, wherein said peptide comprises the amino acid sequence Ile-Leu-Met-Cys-Phe-Ser-Ile-Asp-Ser-Pro (SEQ. I.D. NO. 2).

## **REMARKS**

## I. Status of Claims

Claims 1-10 are pending in the application. Claims 2, 3 and 5 are canceled herein. Claims 1-6 have been examined as reading on applicants elected species, and claims 7-10 stand withdrawn (see Appendix A). Claims 2, 3 and 5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. The specific grounds for rejection, and applicants response thereto, are set out in detail below.